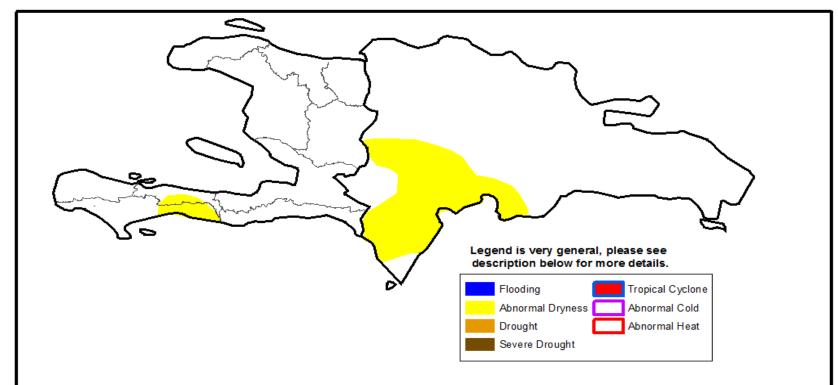


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook July 3 – July 9, 2014

Dry weather expected to continue over Hispaniola during the next outlook period.



Cumulative rainfall showed slightly increased rains over the southern parts of Hispaniola, particularly southwestern Haiti during the past week. However, suppressed rains were observed elsewhere, except central Haiti and bordering western Dominican Republic, where heavy rains were recorded. This past week's slightly increased rains may have helped to reduce rainfall deficits locally over southern Haiti. However, negative rainfall anomalies remained over much of the Island over the past thirty days. Since the beginning of May, Hispaniola has accumulated below-average rainfall, with seasonal deficits ranging between 150 and 300 mm over southern Haiti and much of the Dominican Republic. Recent vegetation indices indicated poor conditions over localized areas of southern Haiti, southwestern and southern Dominican Republic. If the poor rainfall distribution continues, it will likely negatively impact cropping activities and possibly lead to reduced crop yields during the first rainy season. For next week, dry weather is, generally, expected to continue over Hispaniola. Little to no rains are forecast along the coasts of the Island. However, moderate to locally heavy showers are possible over southeastern Haiti and central and eastern Dominican Republic.